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UM LAUNCHES NEW COMPUTER-TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

MISSOULA —

Sun Microsystems Inc. has authorized The University of Montana to launch a new training opportunity for UM professionals, students and the corporate community. UM's Information Technology Resource Center will now serve as an Authorized Sun Education Center and will start offering training in Sun Microsystems technology at the end of the month.

Registration is now open for a Java programming language course, set for July 31-Aug. 24 from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The course costs \$895. To register or get more information, call (406) 243-6317 or e-mail kathyt@selway.umt.edu. Enrollment is limited.

The Java course teaches students the syntax of the language, object-oriented programming, graphical-user interfaces, file input/output, networking and more. Prerequisites for the course are an understanding of object-oriented principles and the ability to write simple programs in a language such as C, C++ or Java.

The new UM center is designed to introduce students to Sun Microsystems technologies and equip them with skills in their chosen fields of study. The company hopes that creating collaborative relationships with academic institutions like UM will provide access to and education on Sun technologies for the next generation of professionals.

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The center will offer courses, faculty training and support in Java technologies, the Solaris Operating Environment and Star Office software. ITRC will initially focus on Java and Solaris, with other courses coming in the near future.

ITRC was founded at UM to investigate, develop and demonstrate how new technologies can enhance research, instruction and business.

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